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In re Application of Abdelhadi et al.

Application No. 09/964,999

Filed: September 27, 2001

Attorney Docket No. AUS920010901US1

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed July 30, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned as a result of petitioner's failure to take appropriate action in a timely manner after the decision of February 21, 2008, by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Therefore, the proceedings as to the rejected claims were terminated. See 37 CFR 1.197(b). As no claim was allowed, the application became abandoned on April 14, 2008. See MPEP 1214.06.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee of \$810, and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114, (2) the petition fee of \$1,540, and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Alicia Kelley at (571) 272-6059.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2157 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

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